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PARIS AND BARCELONA FOR DEA

E.O.11652: GDS
TAGS: SNAR, SP
SUBJECT: NARCOTICS COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH SPAIN

REF: STATE 306714

1. SUMMARY: GOS WILL PROBABLY SHORTLY PRESENT THEIR PROPOSAL FOR "DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT" ON NARCOTICS COOPERATION, SPANISH PROPOSAL ALMOST CERTAIN TO INCLUDE DESIGNATION OF GABINETE AS DEA COUNTERPART. THE MISSION BELIEVES THAT SUCH AGREEMENT WOULD ULTIMATELY STRENGTHEN BOTH SPANISH DRUG CONTROL OPERATIONS AND DEA ACTIVITIES HERE, RATHER THAN PRODUCING NEGATIVE RESULT FORESEEN IN REFTEL. WE WOULD, THEREFORE, APPRECIATE RECONSIDERATION OF DRAFT PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY 76 MADRID 8226 TO INCLUDE ANY CHANGES RECOMMENDED BY WASHNGTON AGENCIES END SUMMARY.

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2. MISSION BELIEVES THAT SUBSTANCE STATE 306714 MAY REFLECT MISUNDERSTANDING BY WASHINGTON ELEMENTS OF GOS POSITION WITH REGARD US SPANISH NARCOTICS COOPERATION AGREEMENT AND ALSO BASIC SITUATION HERE. MINISTER OF INTERIOR MARTIN VILLA STATED (76 MADRID 8191) THAT BASIC LETTER AND ANNEX PROPOSED BY USG WERE "INSUFFICIENT" TO

CONSTITUTE AGREEMENT (DEPARTMENT'S ASSUMPTION THAT
GUIDLINES CONTAINED IN STATE 75-186622 AND REQUIREMENTS
SET FORTH IN STATE 75-177133 AND STATE 76-47537 WERE
"FULLY REFLECTED" IN BASIC LETTER AND ANNEX IS
CORRECT) FURTHER IN NOVEMBER 18 LETTER (76 MADRID 9035)
MARTIN VILLA EXPRESSED "MAJOR INTEREST" OF GOS IN
CONCLUSION OF "DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD DEFINE
STATUS AND ACTIVITIES OF DEA REPRESENTATIVES IN SPAIN
AND STATED THAT EXPERTS GROUP WAS ALREADY WORKING
ON GOS DRAFT.

3. IT IS THIS MISSIONS VIEW THAT GOS IS MAKING THE REQUIRED EFFORT
TO INSURE COORDINATED ACTION OF ALL AGENCIES (INCLUDING
DGS AND GUARDIA CIVIL) THROUGH GABINETE, INCLUDING
APPOINTMENT OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES TO EXPERTS GROUP
WORKING ON DRAFT OFGOS AGREEMENT. MOREOVER REFTEL IS
INCORRECT IN STATING THAT GUARDIA CIVIL IS AGENCY "HAVING
GREATER INTEREST IN NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT AND WHICH
WORKS MOST CLOSELY WITH DEA". FACT IS THAT WHILE GUARDIA
CIVIL MAKES MORE DRUG ARRESTS IN SPAIN, DGS IS MORE
PROFESSIONAL AND WORKS MORE CLOSELY AND
SATISFACTORILY WITH DEA REPRESENTATIVES. IN ANY CASE
GOS HAS OFFICIALLY DEFINED GABINETE'S ROLE
TO INCLUDE COORDINATION OF JOINT ACTIVITIES WITH
OTHER NATIONALSAND INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES AND SPANISH
DRAFT FOR AGREEMENT WITH US ALMOST CERTAINLY WILL
DESIGNATE GABINETE AS DEA COUNTERPART. SEPARATE
AGREEMENTS WITH DGS AN GUARDIA VCIVIL. EVEN IF
DESIRABLE, WHICH WE DOUBT, APPEAR TO BE OUT OF
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QUESTION.

4. COMMENT: AS EXPLAINED ABOVE, MISSION BELIEVES
SPANISH DRAFT AGREEMENT, INCLUDING GABINETE DESIGNATION,
WILL SHORTLY BE READY FOR DISCUSSION. IT IS OBVIOUS
TO MISSION THAT SPANISH CONTRIBUTION TO OUR EFFORT
ELIMATATE FLOW OF ILLICIT DRUGS INTO US. INCLUDING
GOS COOPERATION WITH DEA WILL BE MOST EFFECTIVE IF
MINISTRY OF GOVERNMENT LEVEL MECHANISM SUCH AS
GABINETE. WE BELIEVE MISSION IS IN BEST POSITION TO
JUDGE CURRENT SPANISH NARCOTICS CONTROL EFFORTS
AND TO NEGOTIATE MOST SATISFACTORY COOPERATION
AGREEMENT. IN ORDER REGAIN INITIATIVE WE WOULD
APPRECIATE RECONSIDERATION OF OUR PROPOSAL. WITH REGARD
ASSISTANCE TO SPANISH, IF THERE ARE STRONG REASONS
FOR NOTPURSUING MATTER MISSION ASSESSMENT IS THAT
OFFER CAN BE QUIETLY SHELVED WITHOUT SUFFERING
STRONG ADVERSEREACTION FROM GOS. HOWEVER, SINCE
INFORMAL OFFER WAS MADE IN CONNECTION WITH ORIGINAL

PROPOSAL FOR EXCHANGE OF LETTERS, MISSION WOULD APPREAITE GUIDANCE IN CASE SPANISH INQUIRE. DURING RECENT VISIT BY DEA ASSISTANT REGIONAL DIRECTOR MARIA, MISSION TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS PROPOSED AGREEMENT AND PROVIDED COPY OF THIS MESSAGE. WE UNDERSTAND THAT DEA REGIONAL OFFICIALS IN PARIS CONCUR FULLY WITH ITS SUBSTANCE.

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